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TO : Assistant Director, ORR  
THRU : Chief, Economic Research Area  
FROM : Chief, Services Division

DATE:

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Project No. 42.982, "Implications of Trade with the Soviet Bloc"

1. This paper was prepared in response to a DD/P request for a "study of the permanent dislocation of a nation's economy when it is forced by circumstances to orient its trade temporarily toward the Soviet Orbit". It was felt that Finland represented the best example of a country whose economy is at least currently dislocated as the result of trade with the USSR.

2. The paper is a study of Finland's postwar trade pattern and the implications and consequences of its reliance upon trade with the Soviet Bloc. It is recognized that these questions could have been the subject matter of a major report. It is believed that the responsible analyst prepared a very competent report for the short period allowed by the requestor.

3. While the report was prepared for a particular consumer, publication as an Intelligence Memorandum is also recommended.

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